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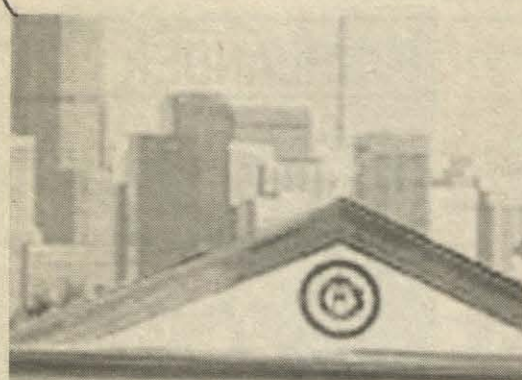
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## Regis loses a valued staff member

by Tonia Johnson

As faculty, staff and students returned to the Regis University community after an extended Labor Day holiday, they were faced with shock and reality that a member of that community would not be returning. Jeffery Hoglund worked in the Media Services department in Dayton Memorial Library.

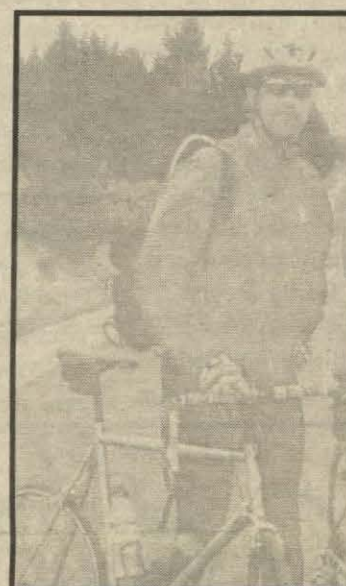
Members of Media Services, in the basement of the library create windows into the world for the rest of the Regis community. Their aim is to be unnoticed. Their expertise in areas of computer, video, and sound technology go unseen. However, their work is in the many PowerPoint presentations they help create, the videos they edit and events for which there would be no sound without them.

"We always try to remain invisible at events, he was always good at making everything work and remain invisible," said friend and co-worker Andrew Dorfman.

The way students and faculty learn and teach at Regis University would be much different without the impact of Jeffery Hoglund. Built-in media devices in classrooms, the media in both amphitheaters, and the new sound in the cafeteria were all spearheaded by Hoglund.

In the world of technology Hoglund brought many firsts to Regis University. From the predecessor to the palm-pilot and Apple, to using a digital camera to document the reconstruction of

the library in 1995 and 1996, he was always on the cutting edge of technology. (continued on page 3)



Former staff member Jeff Hoglund  
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## Auditor Gallagher takes leaves of absence

by Kathryn Baumgartner

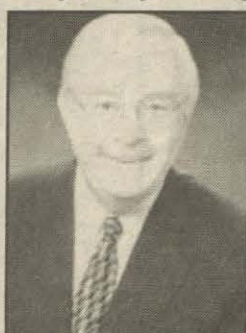


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Most conversations held with Auditor Dennis J. Gallagher have resulted in him asking a last name. He is known to be intrigued with genealogy, and the history of names, because he says it is a way to connect with people. Teaching at Regis University since 1967, and serving the city of Denver since 1970, Auditor Gallagher has had to connect with an array of people.

Auditor Gallagher graduated from Regis University in 1961, and received his masters degree from Catholic University in Washington D.C. He moved back to Denver, and began teaching not only in the Communication department, but Latin and Greek classes as well. Auditor Gallagher took an interest in politics in 1968 when Robert Kennedy and Jean McCarthy were running for president. This is when he attended his first caucus with eight Sisters of Loretto from Holy Family Convent.

In 1970, there was an opening in the House of Representatives, so Auditor Gallagher ran for this position. He was elected, even though his opponent tried to sabotage the election by accusing Auditor Gallagher of illegal acts. Although his feelings were hurt by these wild accusations, Gallagher went and knocked doors to gain votes and support. Auditor Gallagher explains to just, "let them say whatever they want, I let it roll off like water on a ducks back." Gallagher served two terms in the House, and during this time, he worked on property reform for senior citizens, nursing home reform and environmental issues.

In 1973, Auditor Gallagher was elected into the state Senate and served until 1995. During this time, he worked on the legislative audit committee for 16 years, which helped him become interested in the auditing process and served as chairman three times. Gallagher was also on the agricultural committee and helped develop friendships with rival legislatures.

Auditor Gallagher has also worked hard on the Gallagher Amendment, which was adopted as part of the Constitution in 1982. This amendment requires commercial property owners to pay 55 percent of all property taxes, with residential property paying the remaining

45 percent. If it weren't for Auditor Gallagher, homeowners would have paid nearly seven billion dollars more in property taxes since 1987. The amendment keeps home taxes low even if the value of a home rises. On the ballot this year, there is an option that allows people to vote for freezing this amendment. If this passes, property taxes will rise.

In 1995, there was an opening in the Denver Council. Auditor Gallagher ran and won. Here he served on the finance committee and learned about the finances of the city, which helped in the process of becoming Auditor. In February of 2003, Gallagher announced he would run for the Auditor of Denver. Gallagher described this race as being "mean spirited," and eight of his fellow councilmen came out against him. This was because he followed his conscience and blew the whistle on some wrongdoing. Along with the councilmen being against him, the Denver newspapers endorsed his opponent, and published stories that could have harmed his standings in the race.

Again, Gallagher went door to door gaining votes, and ultimately won the race.

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# A Letter from the editor



Dear Regis Community,

As summer breezes blow past, summer jobs wind down and summer loves heat up, thoughts of school inevitably grow in the minds of all students. For Regis University students the thought of traveling back to Denver excites most and freaks out others. Finally, for incoming freshman the thought of moving away from home, friends and those hot summer loves looms for months prior to the big day.

Most importantly, of course, is the return of the staff for the Regis University Highlander, your school newspaper. Nearly all returning students know about the university's student-run

newspaper, except for those who choose to ignore our efforts in providing some interesting news, sports and entertainment articles.

As for the 2003-2004 school year, our goals here at the Highlander are exceedingly high, and prosperous. Our most desired goal is to increase the amount of pages in the paper by four, and therefore increasing the amount, and variety of articles as well. Also we hope to broaden the view of information to reach as many students as possible, in whatever ways possible.

Most importantly, and most beneficial to the growth of the Regis University Highlander is the input of its readers. Instead of talking to your friends over a bagel with "shmear" or a nice cup of coffee about how the latest issue "sucks" or "is stupid," email us at the address below, call the number listed or come up to a member of the staff and explain why "it's the worst thing I've ever seen."

This is not to say that GOOD comments about the Highlander are not welcome, because they most certainly are. Actually, we greatly appreciate

hearing student and faculty comments praising the hard work of the Highlander staff, simply because it means we are getting a meaningful point across to the entire campus.

The Highlander is meant to be the paper of the students, not just the members of the Highlander staff, but all students, faculty and staff of Regis University. Editorials are greatly appreciated about the newspaper, articles printed in the newspaper and campus, local and national current events.

In conclusion, please read the Highlander with an open mind, and enthusiastic attitude, because this is how the staff looks toward the production of every issue. Finally, we all hope that everyone has a wonderful year, and welcome the incoming freshmen with open arms. Read and enjoy your Regis University Highlander.

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Thank you,  
Padraic "Wick" Swanton, Editor-In-Chief and the entire Highlander Staff



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## Auditor Gallagher on sabbatical

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His job as auditor is to pay all the bills of the city, do financial audits, and some performance audits on city agencies. The auditor also has the task of renewing all contracts that the city makes and make sure the contracts are thorough.

Aside from his passion for politics, Auditor Gallagher has a deep love for teaching. He has taught at Regis University for the last 36 years. This year, Gallagher had to take a leave of absence due to his auditor position, which lasts for a total of four years. Auditor Gallagher explained that by accepting the position of auditor, he is not allowed to have other outside employment. Gallagher says he might go back to teaching after the term, but he is sincerely hoping that he will be able to teach the Ireland Study Abroad class again next year.

Auditor Gallagher and Dr. Victoria McCabe have been taking students to Ireland every summer for the past seven years to study abroad. Richard De Luna, Junior and Ireland participant stated, "Auditor Gallagher's humorous mannerisms and knowledge about Ireland really made my experience more enjoyable".

Although Auditor Gallagher does not have much free time, he still tries to enjoy himself by collecting books and uses calligraphy to relax. Gallagher explained that the books next to his bed consist of, Hopkins poetry, Shakespeare, James Joyce, *The Biography of Thomas Jefferson*, and *The White Goddess* by Robert Graves. Gallagher also gives cemetery tours, neighborhood tours, and loves taking people on Denver pub-crawls. Gallagher also has a son, Daniel, a freshman at Regis, and a daughter, Megan, who passed away in December of 2000 at the age of 19.

Gallagher is sad about leaving Regis but states, "Like Mr. Chips, I will be around Regis even though I am retired. I will visit classes, I will be in the library late at night, and I will be at student events. I will be at the Fr. Woody Wrap Party, I will be at the Hopkins Conference, and my ghost will haunt the Pink Palace (main hall) when I have passed on into the arms of Mary."

## Jeff Hoglund remembered

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He was good at his job, as his colleague Ann James-Herron boasts, but he also had a very good rapport with students, staff and faculty. "He did touch so many people on campus while doing his job," according to Dorfman.

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His generous heart impacted people outside of his professional domain and the fact that he took interest in people, recalls James-Herron. He created relationships with food services, security, grounds, maintenance staff and students. His relationships always gave him privy to information. "He always seemed to know what was going-on on campus," said James-Herron. Jeffery Hoglund, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

He also genuinely cared about people. Once an international student from Africa employed with Media Services was having trouble with the Department of Motor Vehicles and his car insurance company. Hoglund took half a day to help the student by going to the DMV and his car insurance company to help him solve his problems. "He just wanted to be of service," said James-Herron.

His life of service extended beyond the Regis community. Every year he participated in many of the MS bike rides in Colorado in the memory of his mother. Many of his relationships at Regis spurred off his love of athletics. According to his co-workers, he was an expert skier, an avid biker, and also ran when he couldn't bike.

To the many that were touched by his work and his caring heart, Regis University would not have been the same had Jeffery Hoglund not come onto the campus and the Regis community will not be the same without him.

*Note from the Editor: The entire staff of the Regis University Highlander would like to send their condolences to the family and friends of Jeffery Hoglund, our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

## Fight the Bite! West Nile Virus in Colorado

by Chris Dieterich

Throughout the summer West Nile Virus has been wreaking havoc on Colorado's evening barbecues, as well as assaulting television sets.

As of September 10, the state of Colorado has reported 973 human cases of the mosquito-borne virus. This amount more than doubles any other state this season (Nebraska is a distant second with 417). In fact, the summer of 2003 brought Colorado the worst epidemic of West Nile Virus in North America, ever. These staggering statistics fail to tell the whole story. Approximately 80 percent of people that contract West Nile experience no symptoms at all. The statistics also have no way to account for the many people that may experience symptoms, but do not get blood work to verify infection. A serious toll has also been taken on wildlife statewide. Horses and birds have also been ravaged by the virus. No human vaccine is currently available, but a horse vaccine can be acquired through a veterinarian.

Most infected people experience only mild symptoms, but about 1 in 150 will experience severe illness. Mild symptoms include: fever, headache, and body aches, occasionally a skin rash on the trunk of the body and swollen lymph glands. Serious cases can result in West Nile encephalitis or meningitis. Severe symptoms can include a combination of stupor, high fever, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, and paralysis. It is rare that death results from severe cases, but elderly or immuno-compromised people are at far greater risk. Colorado has attributed 13 deaths to the virus this year.

The virus is spread to humans or animals by infected mosquitoes. Female mosquitoes bite to absorb a blood-meal, during this blood feeding, the virus may be injected into the animal or human, where it may multiply and cause illness. There have been no known cases of mammal-to-mammal transmission.

Colorado has various species of mosquitoes, but only those of the genera *Culex* are known to carry the virus. This type of mosquito is most active from dusk till dawn, and will avoid direct sunlight. Mosquitoes breed in stagnant or long-standing water. It is here the mosquito larvae go through the life cycle before becoming flying adults. These adults can become vectors, or carriers of the virus in 3-4 days, and can live for almost one month as vectors.

Certain areas of Colorado have chosen to combat this scare. Mosquito control

programs have existed along the Front Range prior to West Nile, but after the first human cases were reported in late August of 2002, additional counties and municipalities opted for control. The unexpected amount of West Nile cases sent many unprotected areas scurrying to find methods of mosquito control.

The West Nile crisis essentially opened up a political Pandora's box for uncontrolled areas such as Boulder and Fort Collins. City officials dealing with paranoid constituents were forced to face off against an environmental backlash, angry about insecticide spraying. Ultimately, spraying began in both places.

The situation also prompted the Colorado Department of Health and Environment to work with local health departments to launch a program known as "Fight the Bite!" This campaign emphasizes providing information about the virus and increasing protective precautions. Highlights of this effort include "The four D's of West Nile prevention." These include: Drain standing water; Avoid going out from dusk till dawn; Wear DEET insect repellent; Always dress in long sleeves.

While West Nile may have made the evening news a little bit too predictable, there is no doubt that its impact has been felt statewide.

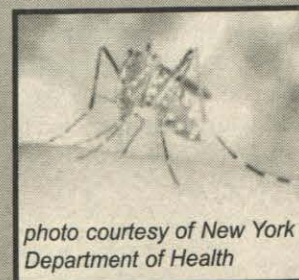


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## Say goodbye to free music on the Internet

by Andrew Cole

The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) is, in its own words, going to file "thousands of lawsuits" against individuals who download music off the internet illegally. According to press releases by the organization, these suits can legally, and will attempt to seek between \$750 and \$150,000 per song.

The RIAA has already begun to file subpoenas in the District of Columbia that will require Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and institutions of higher learning like Boston College and MIT to allow them to conduct reverse searches and find individuals who are sharing music on peer-to-peer sites like Kazaa. These subpoenas are unique in that the RIAA does not need to file a lawsuit first in order to obtain them like any other business or individual would be required to do. They have been given the power by the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 to issue subpoenas in order to find the information they might need in order to file a lawsuit.

This power has caused some to question whether the RIAA is invading individuals' privacy by issuing such subpoenas. Verizon Communications, an ISP, has gone to court in an attempt to halt the issuing of the subpoenas. A court allowed the subpoenas to continue for now, but Verizon is in the process of appealing that decision.

The RIAA issued 1075 subpoenas from June 25 to July 31 2003. This prompted Senator Norm Coleman,

the Chairman of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on

Investigations to issue a letter to the RIAA. While he expressed agreement that the industry has every right to be concerned with the infringement of its copyrighted material, he is concerned with the path it is taking.

He is quoted in a press release as saying "The industry seems to have adopted a 'shotgun' approach that could potentially cause harm and injury to innocent people who may have simply been innocent victims of

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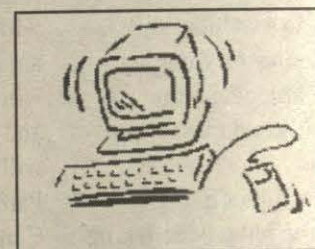
circumstance, or possessing a lack of knowledge of the rules related to digital sharing of files." He used as examples "unsuspecting grandparents whose grandchildren have used their personal computers" or students whose roommates may have used their computers. The press release ends with a quote from his letter stating "As a former prosecutor, I know first hand the power of a subpoena and I am concerned about the potential for abuse in the current system."

In a response letter, the RIAA explained that it only has moved to such drastic measures "after suffering years of mounting harm." They make the claim that

shipments of recorded music in the US have fallen by 26 percent from 1999 to 2002 because of illegal, online file sharing. It claims that this new wave of legal action has only taken place after "an aggressive public education campaign to discourage the unauthorized distribution of recordings" and attempted to make it clear that sharing songs on the internet without paying for them is illegal. They claim that members of peer-to-peer file sharing networks should "have little expectation" of privacy since they open their computer to countless others to share files.

The letter also claims that they are not going after minimal users, but rather "against individual computer users who are illegally distributing a substantial amount of copyrighted music." However, Coleman's letter states that "subpoenas have been won for computer users who shared as few as five songs."

The issue will continue to be hashed out in the courts in the immediate future, but look for it to make its way into mainstream politics as it continues to affect more people and occupy more of the courts' time and resources.



## Bush requests \$87 billion from Congress for war efforts

by Justin Goldman

On Sunday, September the 7th President Bush addressed the nation on the current situation in Iraq, as well as the other fronts in the War on Terror. The President knew his critics would be waiting.

The feeling of the speech was very somber. Compared to the flight deck address in May declaring the end of major combat, this address reflected the difficulty on the ground and the challenge that lies ahead.

With the proximity in date to the two-year memorial of the September 11th attacks, he spoke about how our forces have taken the fight to the Taliban in Afghanistan that harbored Al-Qaeda and facilitated its training camps. He spoke about how these two years have been a time that of new responsibilities, sacrifice, national resolve, and progress.

The President spoke about a generation leading up to September 11th, 2001 where terrorists in the Middle East and elsewhere have attacked innocent people without facing a sustained response and felt history was on their side. Our responses to the attacks in Beirut on our Embassy and Marine Barracks in 1983, Mogadishu in 1993, and the USS Cole in 2000 provided them with those thoughts. Following the September 11th, 2001 attacks we responded differently. We have taken the fight to the enemy.

The President spoke about the Iraqi people who have suffered for so long under a regime filled with mass graves and torture chambers. Foreign terrorists as well as former members of the regime have waged a guerrilla war on our forces. The President focused on the area between Baghdad and Tikrit as the primary areas of the terror attacks.

President Bush expressed that the purpose of the attacks was to force the United States to withdrawal from Iraq. The President brought up a point from his address to Congress nearly two years ago; how the war would be long, unconventional, and fought on many fronts.

The strategy has three objectives. They are to destroy the terrorists, enlisting the support of other nations for a free Iraq, and helping Iraqis assume responsibility for their own defense and future. Of the 55 most wanted former Iraqi leaders 42 are dead or in custody. The Military Commanders advise that the current troop strength is nearly 130,000 and appropriate for the mission. Over 20,000 service members in-country represent 29 nations.

The President directed Secretary of State Colin Powell to introduce a new United Nation Security Council Resolution to authorize a multinational force lead by the United States. There are now 60,000 Iraqi citizens under arms defending the security of their country. The UN Resolution calls on the Iraqi Governing Council to submit a plan and timetable for drafting a constitution and for free elections.

The President announced he would request \$87 billion from Congress. This will cover ongoing efforts of military operations and intelligence gathering efforts in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. Secretary Powell will meet with representatives from many nations to discuss their financial contributions to rebuild Afghanistan later this month. In October he will do so on Iraq.

The President spoke about the people of Iraq emerging from a long trial. How they must not look back to the days of a dictator with the miseries and humiliation he brought. In the US we cannot go back to the year prior to September 11, 2001. We know that terrorists are invited by a perception of weakness.

The President acknowledged that the heaviest burden in the War on Terror has fallen on the men and women of the Armed Forces. He expressed how the nation takes such a great pride in what they have achieved. He spoke about a letter from a captain serving in the Third Infantry Division. The captain closed his letter with the thought, "From the Front Lines of Freedom."

The President laid it on the line last Sunday. The current situation requires us to have a long-term commitment to Iraq. We have no choice but to be successful. We have committed and sacrificed much to this point. We will continue to do so. We must not let those who have given the ultimate sacrifice done so in vain.

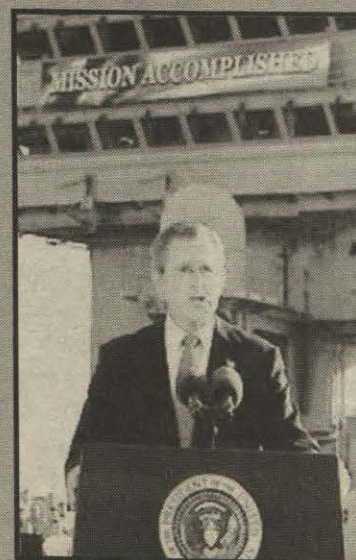


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# Welcome Class of 2008!

## Freshman speak about their experiences so far

by Janey Peyton and Ann Tool

As the new school year begins at Regis University, many students are faced with apprehension and excitement for what is yet to come. Among these students are the fresh faces of about 380 new freshmen. These freshmen have surfaced from places such as Washington, California, Texas, Illinois, and Missouri as well as others. This is the largest freshman class yet with a ratio of 56 females to 44 males.

With two weeks under their belts the Highlander wanted to check in and just see how well they are doing. Maggie Shea, a freshman from Desmet, "is really, really happy" here at Regis University. And Scott Harris, also from Desmet says he is "very satisfied" with his decision to come to Regis University. Although Tom Watson, Jr. who hails from Chicago and now lives in O'Connell, says that he is a little home sick.

Communal living is a big change from the family lifestyle and moving into the dorms can be drastic for some. Freshmen are confined to a smaller living space and are sharing with many new peers. It is a time for them to learn and adjust which can be scary and overwhelming for some.

Luckily for Callie Blackmer and Ali Wilson from O'Connell who didn't know each other before, consider themselves to be the "perfect roommates." They say that the dorms are nice but the room is a little too small and according to them, Desmet has nicer bathrooms. Matt Anipen has never been to O'Connell but said, "I will consider it" when asked about the difference in dorms.

The freshmen also believe that there is some isolation between Desmet and O'Connell. Brad Dougdale III from Idaho said, "I love O'Connell because the people are really friendly

but I wish that people from both O'Connell and Desmet could hang out a little more." He elaborated more saying there needs to be more variety and more activities that help all of them interact. "In the beginning there were a lot of activities but now it seems like there is nothing," said Freshman Ryan Wagner who chose Regis University because of golf. However, he still feels he has enough to do. Desmet has been said to be more social of the

two, but apparently do not socialize enough with other dormitories.

Another adjustment that freshmen are faced with is the lack of Mama's home-cooked meals. Everyone knows that cafeteria food isn't as good as home food and most of the time is terrible, but a few freshmen disagree. Brad Dougdale III says that the "food is good but it will probably get old." When asked a couple of days later, he agreed and said he was tired of the selection. Maggie Shea from Desmet mentioned also that the vegetarian selections are minimal and what is offered is not pleasant to eat. Although the cafeteria may seem bland, Einstein's Deli and the Ranger Grille are offered to the students. For many freshmen, they prefer the grill because the service is quicker and the food is tastier.

So in spite of all of the adjustments that freshmen are dealing with, including the ridiculous bees outside of the cafeteria and in the rose bushes outside of O'Connell, it is going to be a great year for all. This is the largest freshman class that Regis has had in over a decade and it is time to celebrate academically and socially. For any of you freshmen who are not quite satisfied, it will get better, roll with the punches and go with the flow because we welcome you to a wonderful first year of college.

"I am very, very happy here at Regis University"  
-Maggie Shea

## Get to know the student resources on campus...

by Erin Ovitz

Oftentimes one of the hardest parts about going to college is becoming familiar with the resources that are available to you as a student. Regis offers many student resources so that each student's needs are adequately met and the transition from home to college is easier. Some of the resources that you may not already be familiar with are the Bookstore, the Fitness Center, and the Health Center.

The school Bookstore is located in the Student Center next to the Ranger Grill. If you don't have a car, you will find the bookstore to be very helpful because they carry almost everything you need for classes. They have the required books for every class at Regis University, and they usually have both new and used versions of the same book so you can save money. It is a good idea to take care of your books because you may be able to get some money back by returning them at the end of the semester.

The bookstore also has most of the supplies you will need for class including: bluebooks, audio recorders, disks, and calculators. And don't forget to pick up a free copy of the student bulletin on your way out. The bulletin provides a brief explanation of every class offered at Regis, as well as the academic requirements for each major.

The bookstore hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-7:00pm, Friday from 8:30am-5:00pm, and Saturday from 9:00am-1:00pm. The Bookstore is closed on Sundays.

If you like to stay healthy and active you should become familiar with the Fitness Center. It is located on the north side of the Coors Life Directions Center near the Field House. The Fitness Center has enough equipment to satisfy any student's workout needs. It has a variety of cardio machines such as treadmills, elliptical trainers, and bicycles. It also has 1500 lbs of free weights along with squat racks, bench press, and other workout machines. There is an aerobics floor that is used for a variety of classes (most of which are free). There are usually class schedules posted but in the past they have offered yoga, Pilates, kickboxing, fit ball, step aerobics classes, and many others.

The Fitness Center is for every student on campus. Just be sure to fill out a few required medical history forms and bring your student ID and you are ready to workout!

The Fitness Center hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:00am-9:00pm, Friday from 7:00am-5:00pm, and weekends from 1:00pm-5:00pm.

If at some point during the year you catch a cold or need medical assistance, you should know about the Student Health Center. The Health Center is available for all students and you can go there even if you don't have insurance through the school.

Some of the services they provide include men's and women's health needs, immunizations, lab testing for Strep and Mono, and they can refer you to a local specialist if they are not able to meet your needs. The staff there is very friendly and does their best to keep students healthy.

Their hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30am-5:00pm, but appointments can only be scheduled between 9:00am-4:00pm.

## Counseling Center offers support to Regis students

by Charlie Beriault

The emotional affects of the death of a loved one is a reality that every human being will have to face within his or her lifetime. This undeniable factor, regardless of the circumstances surrounding one's love and dedication for another, is irrefutably inevitable.

Despite the obvious reality of death, most people tend to disconnect themselves from it, seeming to prefer a sense of complete ignorance to the idea that what is loved can be lost. This fact, however unfortunate, causes most to be struck with a completely overwhelming feeling of grief for what has been lost.

Although in this state no one can completely relate to another's emptiness, one should in no way feel alone in his or her suffering. Despite one's thoughts of inconceivable loss, there are people who have experienced what you are feeling. It may sound like an attempt to reconcile what seems incomprehensible, but a fortunate few have taken from this experience a sense of purpose to help those new to the situation.

Regis University has a select group of people who offer to share their thoughts on making some sense of this tragedy. Personal counseling is offered at the Coors Life Directions Center on campus in which there is a staff of several certified professionals to help try and shift a negative experience to a manageable situation. These professionals have experience in dealing with these kinds of issues and face all the possible side affects related to them such as: anger, eating or sleep disorders, suicide prevention, and trauma on a regular basis. They understand that most students are far from home and may need someone to talk to and everything that you say to a counselor is confidential.

After speaking with Jerene Anderson, the director of the counseling center, the number of students that visit the center dealing with a death in their family was determined. Not only was that number higher than originally expected, but apparently there are many ways to get help in this situation. There are four different counselors in the center to talk to as well as a counselor from the Jesuit ministry. The choice of counselor is up to the sole discretion of the student, and the student may visit as many times as necessary at no charge.

Jerene Anderson also recommends ways to help cope, mainly talking about the situation is a good way to get over the pain. If talking is too much she recommends keeping a journal and making entries whenever the need is felt. Friends are key in this situation as a way to release and validate feelings, and friends and family may have experience that can relate to the current feelings that one typically has in this process.

The counselors at Regis are there for any student that feels he or she needs a little help at this time. The Center is open from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, so feel free to stop in or call (303)-458-3507 to schedule an appointment.

by Ed Bessenbacher

The Regis University campus underwent many changes over the summer months in an effort to improve safety and increase very limited office and classroom capacity; a trend that will continue throughout the new school year, according to the Director of Physical Plant Mike Redmond, whose organization has, and will continue to oversee all construction projects on the university grounds.

Perhaps the most noticeable development is the expansive, brick-paved sidewalk in front of Carroll Hall. This change was made in order to allow fire trucks to drive into the middle of the Quad in the event of a fire, according to Redmond. In the process of meeting safety standards, the project allowed for the pathway and surrounding areas to be dressed up considerably, as Redmond said, "We



Construction workers at Regis University  
photo courtesy of Dan Delaney

covered the sidewalk with brick rather than concrete because we just didn't think the concrete would look good." Moreover, decorative boulders were brought in from the Fort Collins area to account for a difference in the ground level created when the sidewalk was widened near the Dayton Memorial Library.

Regis has also enhanced campus fire safety by upgrading the pipes supplying water to fire hydrants. The latest phase of developments, the third of four, was seen throughout campus grounds as parking lots, grass, and sidewalks were all torn up so that old pipes could be replaced with new, more efficient ones, said Redmond. "It's safer for everyone here," stated Redmond. "We moved from a private system to a public one, now every fire truck in Denver can hook up here, whereas before, only some could."

Despite the amount of ground the pipe project covered, the biggest construction job that occurred at Regis over the summer according to Redmond, was the conversion of the Adult Learning Center gym into offices and classrooms, a development now known as the ALC Annex. When all was said and done, what had previously been an athletic facility had been turned into six classrooms, two of them high-tech, two laboratories, and numerous offices.

The funding for these projects has come from a couple different sources, but much of what people are seeing around campus is being bankrolled by a \$20 million bond issue that Regis acquired nearly 3 years ago, according to Joseph Weber, Vice Provost for Finance and Budget. The same bond, recently used to pay for the water line project, also was used to build the Residence Village two years ago. The changes to the ALC, however, as well as the construction of the Ranger Dome last year, a combined cost of \$2.5 million, was financed internally stated Weber. This will also be the case when construction begins on Main

Hall, hopefully within the next month, according to Redmond.

The renovation of the top two floors will cost about \$2.5 million, for now, and will be, "Nothing fancy, just enough to get us in," said Weber. The swift renovation is due to large growth in all Regis schools, a key factor for most renovations and additions according to Redmond. "Almost every one of the projects is based on growth," said Redmond. "Excuse our dust we're just trying to grow with the university."

More changes to come in the next few years include a revamping of Carroll Hall and a brand new chapel which will be located where the O'Sullivan Center currently is. Though there is no start date set for Carroll Hall yet, a \$5.7 million donation by a Regis alumnus makes Redmond hopeful that the project will start soon. "The donor really dictates when we start," stated Redmond. "We'd like to start on Carroll Hall toward the end of this year and have it finished within 18 months."

The new chapel will most likely take longer to start because the funding for it will be completely dependent on donations, according to Weber. "Right now we have about half pledged," said Weber, who also confirmed that construction would not be start before the University received enough money to make up the other half of the \$5.5 million dollar project. The chapel will be built directly behind Main Hall, the O'Sullivan Center will be demolished and its employees will move into Main Hall and the new chapel, according to Weber.

## A Rundown of clubs on Regis University campus

by Diana Leos

### J Cru

1. Bible study on books of Romans
2. Guest speakers
3. Outreach programs

### MAC

1. Working on several projects and one in particular will focus around sexuality
2. Oktoberfest & pumpkin carving contest
3. Cultural discussion hour - this will happen once a month for Regis students to talk about different issues dealing with several topics in the community

### Young Democrats

1. Establish a democratic platform during the primary political season
2. Host Howard Dean campaigns meet up
3. Help get Regis students registered to vote.

### Asian American Association

1. Promote diversity
2. Picnics, games and fun activities

### Residence Hall Association

1. Creating recycling programs
2. Fun activities and games
3. Trying to make food improvements in the cafeteria and Ranger Grille

\*\* If your club is doing something fun and exciting that you want the Regis community to be a part of, please contact Diana Leos at Leos010@regis.edu.

## Meet Dr. Victoria McCabe Commitment Program Director

by Katie Ryan

The words of Hopkins: "For Christ plays in ten thousand places, lovely in limbs and lovely in his eyes not his, to the Father through the faces of men's faces," describes the work of Dr. Victoria McCabe perfectly. The Freshman Commitment Director is not only passionate about her student's success, but about poetry and Fr. Woody volunteer work as well. God has created all different faces, and Dr. McCabe has served them all. She states, "I'll never retire, I will die in my office at 98 years old"

Dr. McCabe has worked at Regis University since 1986, starting as a part time English professor and then moving on to the Commitment Program Director, which was created to give all students an equal chance at an education, and was started by the Jesuits in 1976. Along with the program, Dr. McCabe has been taking students to Ireland with Auditor Dennis Gallagher for the past seven years to study the works of Irish literary figures. She states her favorite places to go in Ireland are Glenstal Abbey and InisOirr.

Dr. Victoria McCabe is best known for her Fr. Woody projects. Fr. Woody was the Denver Patron Saint of the homeless whose motto was, "Open your door and help people." Fr. Woody was known for his life's work of devotion to the less fortunate. Dr. McCabe started the Fr. Woody projects, which has two vans that transport students and volunteers to help others, just as Fr. Woody did (see project times listed on the calendar, pg 12). Anyone is welcome to assist with these projects, and Dr. McCabe states, "we need everyone to help." Fr. Woody died on November 10, 1991 and because of Dr. McCabe his legend lives on. Her devotion and passion is appreciated by everyone here at Regis.



Dr. McCabe with students in Ireland  
photo courtesy of Kathryn Baumgartner



## Rockies wind down...

by Michael Pontarelli

Once again it has been an interesting ride for the Colorado Rockies in the 2003 season. The season seemed to get off to descent start hovering around five hundred for the first portion of the season. Things seemed to be looking up when Colorado swept Arizona in the first home series of the season, but once again the Rockies fell apart when they were away from Coors Field.

In the first half of the season the Rockies had the best home record in all of baseball, while at the same time having the worst road record in baseball. A puzzled General Manager, Dan O'Dowd looked around the league for other options, but unfortunately nothing came of any of the moves that O'Dowd and Manager Clint Hurdle made. The pitching staff

has once again been well below average, and although All-Star Todd Helton is having yet another huge year it's still not enough to make up for Larry Walker constantly taking days off and the pitching staff giving up runs left and right.



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Colorado has their work cut out for them in the last month of the season, as they will face the entire National League West both at home and on the road, and adding the Houston Astros into the mix as well. Although they are quite a ways out of the Wild Card race Clint Hurdle would like to try to finish the season strong. It will be interesting to see what major changes the Rockies make in the off-season for the good of the organization in 2004.

## ...as Broncos look to dominate

Although the Denver Broncos have made some major changes to their roster it seems that it will be for the better. Bringing in Jake Plummer will make a huge difference in the success of the Denver offense. Clinton Portis was last year's Rookie of the Year and he looks just as promising this year. Jake "The Snake" Plummer will add a spark to the offense that has been missing for a while and should be able to run the play action to perfection with Portis.

The receivers are looking good with Rod Smith and Ed McCaffrey starting, with Ashley Lelie being placed third among the best receivers in the league.

The defense should be just above average, nothing special, but enough to do well. The Broncos will have excellent linebackers with Al Wilson and John Mobley leading the pack. They will have a good defensive line but the secondary could use some help. Lee Flowers is suspended for a few games so that will have somewhat of an effect, but the Denver Broncos have just as good of a chance as any other team in the NFL, and they should dominate the

AFC west.

Judging from the four pre-season games, this year the Broncos will be a very exciting team to both watch and follow throughout the entire season. It may take some time for Plummer to get comfortable in Denver, but it is definitely expected for him to carry the Broncos to success this season.

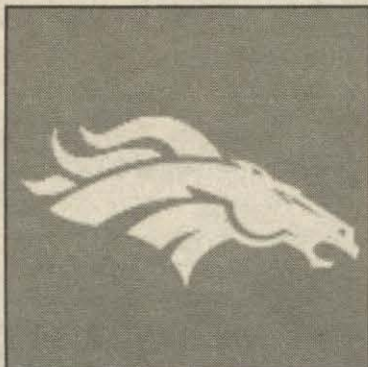


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### Denver Broncos 2003-04 season schedule

Sep 22 - vs. Oakland, 9:00 PM  
 Sep 28 - vs. Detroit, 4:15 PM  
 Oct 5 - at Kansas City, 1:00 PM  
 Oct 12 - vs. Pittsburgh, 4:15 PM  
 Oct 19 - at Minnesota, 1:00 PM  
 Oct 26 - at Baltimore, 1:00 PM  
 Nov 3 - vs. New England, 9:00 PM  
 Nov 10 - Open  
 Nov 16 - vs. San Diego, 4:05 PM  
 Nov 23 - vs. Chicago, 4:05 PM  
 Nov 30 - at Oakland, 4:15 PM  
 Dec 7 - vs. Kansas City, 4:15 PM  
 Dec 14 - vs. Cleveland, 4:05 PM  
 Dec 21 - at Indianapolis, 8:30 PM  
 Dec 28 - at Green Bay, 4:15 PM



## Meet Tim Brich: men's assistant basketball coach

by Nikki Lawson

Even though most individuals do not introduce themselves by their nickname, that is exactly what Tim Brich does. Entering his first season as the Assistant Men's Basketball Coach at Regis, Tim Brich is simply known as "Brich" to his players, fellow head coach Lonnie Porter, and the Athletic Department at Regis. After serving three years at both Colorado Christian University and the University of Northern Colorado as an assistant coach, Brich is looking forward to being a part of the Regis coaching staff in 2003-04.

Brich does not have a complicated theory on coaching; he simply pushes his players to "score more points than the other team". With the Rangers focusing heavily upon individual work in the preseason, Brich sees a committed group of players and is anticipating the beginning of the 2003-04 season. Sophomore guard Jay Gorai praises Brich's energy and enthusiasm as well as his ability to "remain goal oriented while keeping good player-coach relationships". Though it remains to be seen how the Rangers will fair in the 2003-04 season, with Coach Tim Brich aboard, there is definitely excitement to come.

## Snodgrass sets new Ranger record for career goals

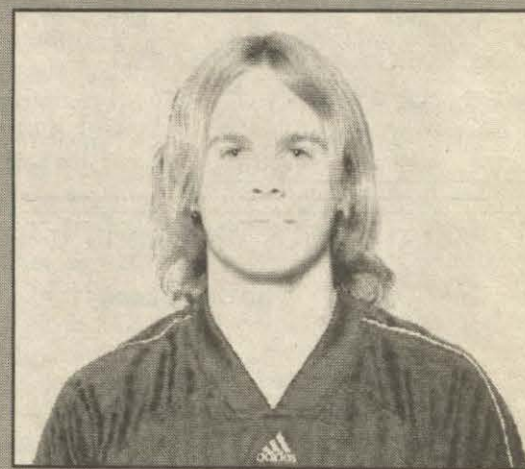


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Senior midfielder Lance Snodgrass (Leawood, KS; Rockhurst H.S.) became Regis' new career leader in goals with 37 (previous record: Mike Montgomery, 36 goals, 1981-1984).

Snodgrass, who earlier this week became the career scoring (total points) and assist leader at Regis University, has now accumulated 94 total points (37 goals, 20 assists) during his time in a Ranger uniform. An Honorable Mention All-Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) selection following his freshman year, Snodgrass garnered First Team All-RMAC laurels in 2001 and 2002. Furthermore, Snodgrass was named First Team All-Midwest Region and Third Team All-American as a sophomore in 2001.



## QB Klatt puts Buffs into a winning drive

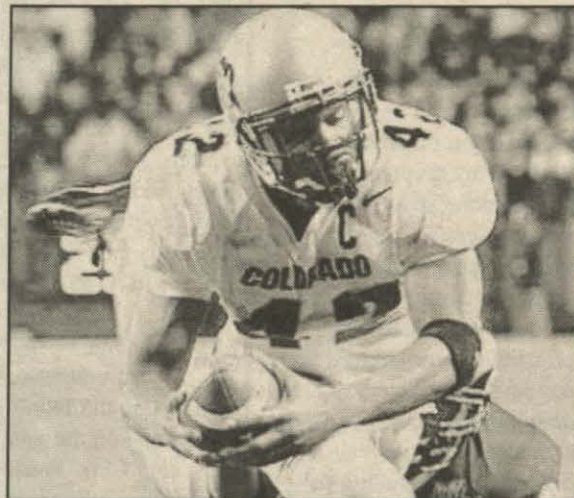
by Andrew Walker

Hello, sports fans here with your sports update. On August 31, 2003 there was a heavyweight fight going on between two big time college football rivals. It took place in front of the largest crowd to ever see a football game in the state of Colorado. It might go down as the greatest game between these two teams. On one side there was the Colorado State Rams from Fort Collins. Led by coach Sunny Lubick and all-conference senior quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt, the Rams were looking to win this big game for the third year in a row. They were opposed by the Colorado Buffaloes from Boulder. With Coach Gary Barnett, and new quarterback Joel Klatt, Colorado was looking to put an end to the Rams success. The result of this game will be talked about for a very long time.

Two of the biggest stars in this game were the two quarterbacks. One was a four-year starter, and the other had spent the last three years playing minor league baseball, and had thrown only one career pass before this game. The talk before the game was that this match up would be one sided, but it turned out to be an old fashion shootout between these two stars. Klatt, who went to Pomona High School in Arvada, threw three touchdown passes in the second quarter, and had 200 yards by halftime. He finished his first game by throwing the ball for 402 yards on 21-34 passing. Can you say Heisman? Just kidding, but a heck of a first game. Van Pelt like always in this rivalry brought his "A" game. He was 18-38 passing for a career-high 339 yards, and had two rushing touchdowns. This game also had little drama off the field. The game had to be delayed for 28 minutes because of lighting, but when the game continued the offensive numbers for both clubs just kept on going up.

The action really picked up in the fourth quarter. Van Pelt, at the beginning of the quarter throw a touchdown pass to David Anderson, to cut the CU lead to 35-28, and to the delight of the CSU faithful, Mr. Van Pelt was just warming up. With 1:50 left on the clock, Van Pelt ties the score at 35, with a run that should be the Sportscenter play of the day. He broke two tackles, ran 30 yards, and it would seem that at the time momentum was shifting to the Rams. It was a very back and forth game, but with just under two minutes to play, maybe the Rams were going to do it for the third consecutive year. Joel Klatt, acting like this wasn't his first start, led his team down the field in 70 seconds. With the throwing of Klatt, CU marched down the field and as Bobby Purify scored on an eight yard run with forty seconds to play, CU won for only the second time in five years in this big time game. When looking back at this game, it will be

remembered for many things. One, is hopefully the start of a promising career for Joel Klatt. If he keeps this up, then the sky is the limit for him. This game had a lot more intensity than in years passed, and the players on both sides left it all on the field. This game will hopefully be the sign of things to come for college football in Colorado, because this one for the books. Till next time, and Go Gonzaga.



Colorado Buffaloes' Bobby Purify dives over the goal line for the winning touchdown  
photo courtesy of [www.sportsline.cm](http://www.sportsline.cm)

## Fall athletics kicks into gear

by Andrew Walker

Hello, sports fans here with your fall Regis Sports Preview. You heard it here first; this will be a very exciting and productive year for Regis Sports. Come out and cheer your teams on, and make sure that you are apart of what should be one for the books.

First, we will start off with soccer. The woman's soccer team will be right up near the top of the rankings the whole year, and will try to become one of the greatest teams of all time.

Lead by Kristin Geyer, and a good young nucleus of players, the Lady Rangers will be a team that will be very tough to beat. As I write this, the Lady Rangers are 5-1 and getting better as the year goes on. Keep up the good work ladies.

The guy's soccer team is my pick for the surprise team of the fall year. Lead by Mr. Everything, Lance Snodgrass, who is on and already record breaking pace at Regis, this team will be very interesting as the year goes on. There is a lot of talent on this team, and through the first 5 games, there is a lot of potential to do some great things. They have a good mixture of veterans and youngsters and have really started to click.

Make sure that you get out to as many home games as you can, because you don't want to miss Lance and company tackle the rest of the RMAC. Their record so far is 3-1-1, so way to go guys.

Next we have cross-country. It may be a little hard to see the Rangers race, but here is what you need to know about The Regis University runners.

Both the guys and girls should do some great things this year. The guys have some

nice new runners like Freshmen Jesse Hunter and Tyler Goswick, put that together with Senior Co-Captains Geoff Arte and Joe Osdieck, this team will be running teams down this season.

Watch out, the guys are on a mission. Good luck for the rest of the year. The girls for cross country are going to be very good this season.

They are young and fast. They are a well-balanced team that should be near the top of every meet that they compete in. With Junior Janey Beulke and sophomore Allison Hingtgen leading the girls, this team will be running to a championship. Go Rangers!

Last we have the always-exciting women's volleyball team. Make sure that you come out and cheer this team on.

The team plans to put forth a solid effort and this year will be no different. Junior outside hitter Holly Yamada and senior Erin Ovitz should lead the charge.

The Lady Rangers could be a tough out for the rest of the league. There is talent on this team, so come out and see the Lady Rangers take out the RMAC. Go Ladies!

There is a lot of potential for some great things this year. Our sports teams need your help. They need for you to come out and support them on the field. I really hope that everyone comes out and makes Regis a tough place for visiting teams to win. Don't miss out on history. Until next time, and Go Gonzaga.



### LATEST TEAM RECORDS AS OF WEDNESDAY, September 17th

#### WOMEN'S SOCCER

5-1-0 overall  
3-0-0 RMAC

#### MEN'S SOCCER

3-2-1 overall  
1-2-1 RMAC

#### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

3-7 overall  
1-1 RMAC

**COME SUPPORT YOUR RANGERS!!!**



## Odds &amp; ED's



Ed Bessenbaucher is a Regis Junior, contributing the regular column, "Odds & ED's." The column is meant purely for entertainment purpose and reflects his own personal views and/or imagination.

When I was younger people said it couldn't be done. They told me I was too small, too skinny, or too delicious. I don't know why they told me that, but nevertheless here it is Odds and Eds back for some reason for season two. Hopefully I will avoid the sophomore jinx. As a junior. Yes. For those who are unacquainted with the powerful cluster of words that is this column, let me extend my scepter of understanding to you baffled residents of Rangerland. This modern day tablet of symbols will express a view of the world, or something like it, through the eyes of one too deranged to see it normally. Luckily, I don't have to carve it into a granite notepad. O.K., finish your chi tea, stop eating those pickles and let's go.

As many of you may have noticed, Mars has been considerably closer to our Oldsmobile of a planet lately. After concluding extensive experiments scientists have recently decided that if, metaphorically speaking, our planet is an Oldsmobile, then Mars would definitely be a jalopy. And yes Jupiter is a limo. But hey, I'm no car salesman so let's discuss what we came to discuss. The Red Planet (please don't get it confused with the Magenta or Mother-of-Pearl planet) has recently been closer to Earth than it has been in a very long time and at a distance it won't frequent again until Jerry Rice actually stops playing football. But why is it so close now? What forces have caused this natural phenomenon to occur at this time? Showing my commitment to getting to the bottom of things, I searched high and low for the truth behind this close encounter of the planet kind.

As it turns out, the reason for Mars appearing so close to Earth could be deciphered by reading a report about the event. They usually go something like: "Mars is closer than ever. Come out and see the Red Planet as you've never seen it before, and only for a limited time at the planet Earth." All brought to you by the Mars candy company. That's right folks, the same people that bring you Skittles, M&M's, the Milky Way and other fattening, teeth-decaying foods, are now bringing you Mars as you've never seen it before. Who said business is getting to big?

When reached for comment, Bill "Melts in your mouth" Notinyurhand, the head of Unrealistic Operations for the Mars Company had this to say. "We wanted to do something big for business. Something bigger than mud wrestling, bigger than a huge blow-up gorilla holding a spatula on top of our building" he said from his Snickers-shaped, smothered in caramel office. "Apparently the people at the front offices at the Red Planet want to compete with Florida as the best place for retired people to live, so they were into the idea of making a publicity pass after the vacation season ended." Sounds ridiculous to me.

So there you have it. Unfortunately these will keep coming for a while because the sun never sets on the Odds and Eds media empire. Please remember: no one says you have to be perfect, especially not someone who can't speak.

## Torrential downpour doesn't take away fun at Taste of Colorado

by Ysabel Martinez

A huge turkey leg in one hand, a roasted corn on the cob in another, little kids running around with blue stained mouths, while a man performs magic tricks with rock 'n' roll music being played in the background. Where would one find such a scene? At this year's Taste of Colorado. Over the rainy Labor Day weekend hundreds of restaurants set up temporary kitchens and cooked for over 400,000 people in downtown Denver's Civic Center Park.

This annual food festival featured six stages of

music, including popular national acts, a large carnival and a variety of exhibits. Admission was free but tickets had to be used to purchase food, beverages and carnival rides. Five dollars bought a strip of nine tickets and ATM machines were available to those who needed to withdraw some extra cash.

Saturday started with the sound of The Beloved Invaders on the World Class Rock Stage and Southern Cactus performing on the Saturn Country Stage. When noon hit guest chef Chris Meier from Wolfgang Puck Grand Café braised the Culinary Showcase while The Wick School of Irish Dance entertained the children on the "Kidz Stage".

Rain forced crowds at the festival to remain thin. "It couldn't have been any worse," said Brian Krueger in The Denver Post. Krueger's Island Oasis Smoothies made just 15 percent of what he expected to earn Saturday at the food festival. Saturday's opening day was interrupted twice by rain and closed 45 minutes early. In Sunday's Rocky Mountain News, festival spokeswoman Patty Johnson stated only 70,000-80,000 people attended, though the day's usual

attendance is 120,000.

Sunday was promising as crowds lined up for food and entertainment. Denver's weather was 72 degrees on Sunday with few clouds in the sky. According to Sunday's Rocky Mountain News, Taste of Colorado was the only downtown holiday event that continued from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Lines for beer were long as people of age pulled together nine tickets to purchase a large beer served in a plastic Coors Light cup. Nine tickets equals five dollars, that's just enough to purchase a veggie burrito at a local Chipotle Restaurant. But Chipotle was not one of the fifty restaurants serving food

at the festival. Instead Greek Town Café, Philadelphia Filly, Crepes A La Cart and Bayou Bob's were filling the stomachs of hungry festival goers.

An estimation of 430,000 people attended the three day Taste of Colorado event.

"People realized that come Tuesday, it's back to school and back to work, so they came out," said Patti Johnson, the event's spokesman stated in Monday's Rocky Mountain News.

The Kool Cats kicked off the music stage late afternoon on Monday and the Gin Blossoms soon followed. Much was to be seen at the Wildlife Exhibit where a bald eagle and a lady raptor spread their wings for the crowd to see. Despite a lag in attendance on Saturday, organizers said they were happy with the numbers. So, next year when Taste of Colorado comes along, rain or shine, be sure to join in on the fun.

**This annual food festival featured six stages of music, including popular national acts, a large carnival and a variety of exhibits.**



2003 Taste of Colorado  
photo courtesy of Dan Delaney



# The Order is put to the test..

## He Said

by Greg Driscoll

The Order is one of those movies where you wish that you could punch the box-office guy for even selling you a ticket. Honestly, you know that the guy has seen every one of the movies at the theater at least five times. Give a brother some love and tell me to go see Dickie Roberts or something. Jeez...

The movie stars Heath Ledger (A Knight's Tale, The Patriot) as a renegade priest who serves God by banishing anything undead back to where it once came. He does this outside the jurisdiction of the Church with another humorous priest (Benno Furmann) of the same order. The movie revolves around these priests and the new evil that has become apparent in Rome. This evil is called "the sin-eater" (which would have been a much better title for the film), and it allows people to get into heaven by way of circumventing the usual approach; He "eats" the sins of those that are about to pass on but have not yet been forgiven. This allows him to play God and to undermine the Church.

The main plot concerns the sin-eater and his eager desire to die after a thousand years of bearing the sins of those souls that he has "forgiven/eaten". The funniest thing in this movie besides the dry humor of Ledger's fellow priests are the special effects used to show the sins coming out of the soul and into the sin-eater. It seems that all of us who have sinned are filled with some kind of ghostly evil squid that has translucent arms flailing all about. I am not looking forward to that day when my squid wants out.

You may think that a story about priests and a holy battle with the undead and sin-eaters couldn't contain a love story, but you would be wrong. Undead wrong. In a terrible judgment by the film's writers and producers, the movie incorporates a third-rate love story between Ledger and Shannyn Sossamon (40 Days and 40 Nights, A Knight's Tale) that really should have been left out of the film. The relationship had no feeling and wasn't given enough importance in the film for the audience to care.

Academy Award winner Brian Helgeland directed The Order, but there is absolutely nothing here in terms of winning another award. You know that a movie is not going to be good if it isn't even given a screening for reviewers prior to its release. That is the case with this movie. There are too many subplots that get lost along the way, and the acting is not convincing, at all actually, its just plain awful! This is another one of those religious thrillers that has become so commonplace at the box-office these days and it fails in every aspect. I definitely encourage people to not waste their time or money on this unholy disaster of a film. Instead, save some money and rent the scariest religious thriller of all time, *The Exorcist*.

## Plot Synopsis



photo and synopsis courtesy of Twentieth Century Fox

For centuries, a secret order has existed within the Church. Following a series of unexplained murders, a renegade priest (Heath Ledger) begins an investigation that hurls him into a maelstrom of unimaginable evil and, ultimately, murder - and the knowledge that there is a fate worse than death.

The priest's search takes him to The Sin Eater - a key figure in this mysterious and ancient Order. The immortal Sin Eater's role is nothing less than playing God on earth by absolving the unforgivable of their sins outside the Church, allowing great evil to go unpunished.

Burdened with centuries of evil, The Sin Eater craves the luxury of death. But who will eat his sins and grant eternal peace? Who will carry on his dark tradition and continue the work of the Order? As the young priest uncovers the answers and pursues these paragons of evil, he fights to save his own soul and that of the woman he loves.

## She Said

by Janey Peyton

After watching "The Order" that was viewed as a "murky ecclesiastical horror film," I laughed. In my eyes I saw Hollywood at its worst. "The Order," starring Heath Ledger, Shannyn Sossamon, and Mark Addy, was an unrealistic horror film that portrays nothing more than a warped version of a priest who is searching to find the reason behind his mentor's death and quickly becomes involved in deception of his "order."

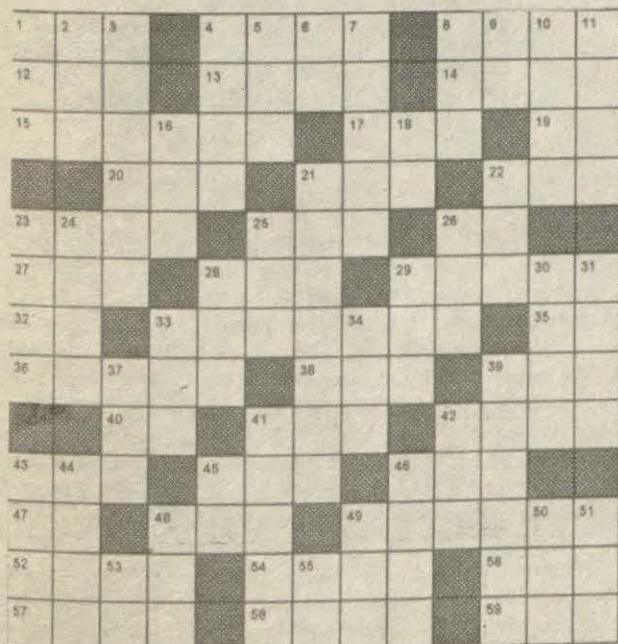
Father Alex Bernier, played by Heath Ledger, realizes that a Sin Eater has resurfaced after five hundred years and taken the sins of those who are ready to die by allowing them to confess one last time. But what Father Bernier does not realize is that he has been chosen to be the next Sin Eater which will force him to make a decision he will not like.

However, the twist in the movie is that Father Alex Bernier has recently excommunicated himself from the church so that he can be with Mara (Shannyn Sossamon), who had come to him a year before asking for help with her dying brother. The plot begins to thicken and a love story begins only to demean the movie even more. This is a movie so entranced by the ideas of solemnity that the only impressive thing or rather scary was the sound effects of heavy breathing, children staring, and off and on screeches of sound and whispers annoying to the ear but just enough to bear.

I am terribly disappointed by the director Brian Helgeland because he has potential and has proved it more than once with similar movies such as "Stigmata," and the "Exorcist." "The Order," may be the lowest point of the subgenre that produced "The Exorcist" (at its high end) and "Stigmata" (at its middle-to-low end). This was obviously a stretch for Helgeland. He has tried to be inventive and in many ways has, but failed to do so with this script.

The dialogue was clear but long and boring which became provoking in a sense. I believe that a movie with such proposed anticipation should have far more to offer than it did. No one wants to see a film that is based on religion but doesn't make sense. Movies such as "The Omen" and "The Exorcist" were scary because of the truth in the story. They made the audience believe in what was happening where as "the Order" did the complete opposite. If it has a theme, it's embodied by the idea that "knowledge is the enemy of faith."

The movie bears all the usual accouterments of the genre but still does not in any way appear scary. I do not recommend it to anyone who enjoys movies or wants to pay money to see one. Do not be fooled by the actors and actresses who star in the film and do not see it for that reason. This is one of those movies that no matter how great the cast is, the story just isn't there.



### ACROSS

- 1 Ungentlemanly man
- 4 Lady
- 8 Podium
- 12 Low number
- 13 Fencing sword
- 14 On top
- 15 Give meaning
- 17 Plaything
- 19 Tantalum symbol
- 20 Abstract concept
- 21 Dog
- 22 Camping vehicle
- 23 Footed base vessels
- 25 Knock
- 26 Southern state (abbr.)
- 27 Cushion
- 28 Corn on the
- 29 Part of flower
- 32 Without (suf.)
- 33 Carried to the limit
- 35 Direction (abbr.)
- 36 Soak in liquid
- 38 Presently
- 39 Put on
- 40 Beast of burden
- 41 Put
- 42 Outdoor shelter

### DOWN

- 1 Fish
- 2 Saturated hydrocarbon (suf.)
- 3 Come to one's aid
- 4 Camera glass
- 5 Monkey
- 6 Direction (abbr.)
- 7 Put in upright position
- 8 Light time
- 9 Near
- 10 Small particle
- 11 Bridge
- 16 Those in office
- 18 Either
- 21 Storage area

- 22 Large tub
- 23 Arrow poison
- 24 Rave
- 25 Reel
- 26 Jelly-like substance
- 28 Hat
- 29 Animal's foot
- 30 Anonymous (abbr.)
- 31 Pre-Easter period
- 33 Cowboy Allen
- 34 Temporary bed
- 37 Forever
- 39 Extract
- 41 Smooth silk
- 42 Browed skin
- 43 Green gem
- 44 Among
- 45 Midwest state (abbr.)
- 46 Hit hard
- 48 Coy
- 49 Salt-water
- 50 Bulgarian money unit
- 51 7th Greek letter
- 53 Motion toward (pref.)
- 55 Removal (pref.)



# Calendar

## September 22 - October 6

### REGIS SPORTS

9/22-9/23	Men's Golf: RMAC Championships @Lakewood, CO	TBA
9/23	Women's volleyball @ Northern Colorado	7:00
9/26	Men's soccer v. Montana State U-Billings	4:00
	Women's soccer @ Incarnate Wood	7:00
	Women's volleyball v. Colorado School of Mines	7:00
9/27	Women's volleyball @ Chardon State	7:00
9/28	Men's soccer v. Embry-Riddle Univ.	3:00
	Women's soccer @ E. Central Univ.	12:00
10/2	Women's volleyball @ New Mexico Highlands	7:00
10/3	Women's soccer v. Northern Colorado	3:30
	Men's soccer v. St. Edwards Univ.	5:00
	Women's volleyball @ CSU-Pueblo	7:00
10/4	Women's volleyball @ CU-Colorado Springs	TBA
10/5	Men's soccer @ Incarnate Wood	11:30

### REGIS EVENTS

9/22	Romero House- Hospitality Night	5:45-8
	**Meals-on-Wheels	12-1:15
	**Annunciation School	2:30-4:30
	**Rescue Mission	4:45-6:45
9/23	**Sack Lunch Project	3:15-5:15
	**Marycrest Family Project	5:30-8:15
9/24	Romero House: Salt 'n' Light	8:00
	**Meals-on-Wheels	10:30-11:45
	**Annunciation School	2:30-4:45
	**Fr. Woody Formation	5:00-7:00
9/25	Open Mic Night in Ranger Grill	10:00
	**Mullen Home for Elderly	2:00-4:00
	**Homeless Dinner Project	4:30-6:30
9/26	**Loyola School	10:00-12:15
	**Guardian Angels School	1:00-3:30
9/27	**Sack Lunch & Shopping	1:30-3:30
	**Denver RC Field Trip	4:00-6:30
9/29	**Meals-on-Wheels	12-1:15
	**Annunciation School	2:30-4:30
10/2	Thursday Thrills: Craig Karges in Cafeteria	10:00
	Family Weekend Events Begin	
10/4	Family Weekend Events End	

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### HOROSCOPES

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**Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)** You will feel redeemed and energetic as you relocate what was once important to you. Key introductions will soon have you working harder and earning more. That intellectual waiting in the wings will continue to wait until you are free.

**Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)** An obligation may seem like a bigger deal than it is. It takes days to undo a wrong decision but only a small amount of research to make the right one. Your words will have persuasive power. Take advice that is given. Recycle your good fortune.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)** Romance resides where you least expect it. A surge of energy produces financial results. What you dislike about a partner is really your distaste for your own tendencies. Relationships are crucial to your learning process. Give up an approval-seeking mentality.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)** A slump in your concentration is only temporary. New

information changes your direction. Someone will take advantage of your kindness for his benefit - don't waste time dwelling on it. Although you did not expect to be the center of attraction, an admirer cannot resist you.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)** Your powerful physical presence invites attention. A surprisingly immediate attraction is mutual. Your attention to detail will help things fall in a favorable direction. If you stray from a planned career path, it is only temporary. Do not accept excuses.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)** A new friend is about to become very important and will turn to you for information and advice. Emotional well-being becomes your focus - surround yourself with positive thinkers. This month there will be openings where there were none before. Affairs of the heart satisfy.

**Pisces (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20)** Luck changes

for the better. A bill is reduced if you have the nerve to ask for the discount. A new idea is endowed with the seeds of greatness. Concern about doing the wrong thing will undermine the integrity of your creative life. You'll find a surprising source of income.

**Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 19)** A can-do attitude makes up for a lack of experience. Accept invitations. Answers that come from behind the scenes will lead to a change for the better. Be cautious, as an unpredictable element exists. Express your more complex needs and watch them be met.

**Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20)** You now have the will to change what needs changing. What causes you to feel uncertain is confusing to others as well. Be the first to speak up. Money is found in a formerly barren atmosphere. You will become more comfortable with recent changes.

**Gemini (May 21 - June 21)** A guide pops

into your life. Acts of generosity will be appreciated more than you know. Focus on the big picture. A small sacrifice will pay a big dividend. Protect your reputation by speaking well of others. Travel plans work out perfectly.

**Cancer (June 22 - July 22)** If you can keep from being bored with tedious work you quickly are promoted. Engage in constructive criticism instead of being too shy to disagree. An idea you have been toying with will work - follow it through. What was once a weakness becomes a well of strength.

**Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)** Welcome the opportunity to bring comfort to others. You can successfully overthrow a stanch tradition with one brilliant change in your approach. Try not to be impulsive in big, expensive purchases. Your power among partners increases in very tangible measures.